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For: METHOD, SYSTEM, AND PROGRAM FOR
PROVIDING PATCH EXPRESSIONS USED
IN DETERMINING WHETHER TO INSTALL
A PATCH

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated March 31, 2006, finally rejecting claims 1-32, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.

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